

REPORTS
OF THE
SELECTMEN,
TREASURER, OVERSEER OF THE POOR,
AND
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF STODDARD,
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1879.

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Report of the Selectmen.

*The Selectmen credit the town for the year ending March 1, 1879,
as follows:—*

By list of taxes assessed in 1878,	\$3,832.40
Savings Bank tax,	470.68
Literary fund,	54.39
Amount collected on taxes, 1875 and 1876,	272.64
Interest on taxes, 1875 and 1876,	10.80
Amount received from County for support of paupers,	487.27
Amount received of Jonas Taylor, Collector, 1877,	50.00
Cash, B. A. Bicknell, grass in cemetery,	2.00
“ use of Town Hall,	6.00
“ C. P. Pitcher, plank,	.37
“ Nettie Blanchard, on town note,	25.00
“ Josie E. Scott, “ “	20.00
“ Con. Society, “ “	200.00
“ Frank Dodge, “ “	50.00
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	\$5,481.55

*DISBURSEMENTS.**Orders on Town Treasurer. Principal & Interest on Town Notes.*

Paid Dudley H. Lewis, on town note,	\$1,051.50
George S. Russell, " "	545.90
Josiah M. Rice, interest, "	10.00
Chastina Shedd, " "	55.00
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	\$1,662.40

State and County Tax.

Paid Solon A. Carter, State tax,	\$576.00
Warren H. Mason, County tax,	463.47

Support of County Paupers.

Paid J. M. Rice, including services as overseer,	\$587.18
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Support of Schools.

Paid Hosea Proctor,	District No. 1,	\$109 74
Alvah H. Corey,	" " 2,	64.40
Fred A. Davis,	" " 3,	53.87
Henry Taylor, (Nelson)	" " 4,	21.86
Israel P. Wellman,	" " 5,	101.85
Gilman Stacy,	" " 6,	120.25
Perkins W. Hopkins,	" " 8,	54.60
George E. Reed,	" " 9,	21.96
Hosea Proctor, repairs,	" " 1,	15.00
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		\$563.53

Repairing Highways and Bridges 1878.

Paid James H. Stevens,	\$9.96
William H. Chapin,	12.00

Paid James H. Scott, drills, &c.,	\$3.00
Calvin Barrett,	2.50
F. H. Knight,	5.53
Mark Simonds,	3.75
George H. Riblin,	2.64
James H. Stevens,	12.50
Albert W. Huntington,	23.02
E. J. Curtice,	23.66
Hosea W. Dodge,	1.00
Harvey Wilson,	2.75
Calvin Barrett,	1.40
Peter T. Fox,	3.00
S. A. Greene,	.27
Calvin Barrett,	2.00
Henry Wilson,	4.84
Henry Wilson (plank),	2.88
Remus Lowell,	2.25
Frank Comstock,	2.65
Emerson Comstock,	.84
I. P. Wellman,	.60
P. H. Waldron,	3.96
Hosea Proctor,	22.74
Samuel Bentote,	2.60
Nicholas Carr,	3.75
Henry Wilson,	3.00
Charles A. Hubbard,	3.00
James E. Reed,	1.00
Gilman Stacy (plank),	49.27
Joel F. Whittemore (plank),	14.57
Joel F. Whittemore,	4.92
Hosea Proctor,	3.96
E. Minard,	5.34
W. E. Clayton,	2.84
Nathan Stacy (gravel),	2.00
William H. Chapin,	9.00
E. J. Curtice,	12.41
P. W. Hopkins,	2.25

Paid S. A. Greene,	\$.27
Almira Center,	2.16
E. Minard,	8.00
James H. Stevens,	25.61
Samuel R. Upton,	4.50
Lund Barrett (plank),	.80
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	\$310.99

Breaking Roads Winter 1877 and Spring 1878.

Paid Daniel Upton,	\$20.64
Charles Stevens,	3.72
H. A. Tyrrell,	2.32
Lund Barrett,	3.32
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	\$30.00

Breaking Roads in Spring of 1878 and Winter of 1879.

Paid Lester C. Guillow,	\$5.75
S. F. Snow,	2.65
I. P. Wellman,	1.98
P. P. Hodgman,	4.50
John Scott,	1.32
W. S. Tuttle,	2.52
C. P. Jefts,	2.94
Daniel D. Sargent,	2.42
C. P. Pitcher,	1.44
Bryne Carney,	1.44
G. W. Hunt,	2.28
James H. Scott,	6.48
Silas Dinsmore,	.75
P. H. Waldron,	4.15
J. F. Thomas,	10.14
F. H. Knight,	18.76
James H. Stevens,	9.70

Paid A. H. Waldron,	\$1.20
E. J. Curtice,	4.12
J. L. Reed,	3.12
J. D. Hale,	6.09
Asa Davis,	24.24
E. Minard,	16.08
C. O. Neil,	9.82
Josiah M. Rice,	13.02
G. Richardson,	8.80
F. A. Whittemore,	3.18
E. B. Smith,	.48
P. W. Hopkins,	12.75
Calvin Barrett,	3.84
Nathan Curtis,	8.76
James H. Scott,	2.00
Albert B. Reed,	1.20
Lund Barrett,	3.00
Eben Stacy,	9.90
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	\$210.82

Miscellaneous Expenditures.

Paid for printing reports, 1878,	\$14.00
Expenses at Keene, on E. S. Messenger case and stationery,	5.00
Stationery for Supervisors,	2.26
Town officer and stationery,	8.15
Nathan Curtis, watering tub and repairs,	3.00
P. W. Waldron, " "	3.00
Entertaining Board of Agriculture,	4.00
Overpaid Sholts on books,	1.88
A. H. Waldron, damage to horse,	30.00
Edmund Minard, " sleigh,	5.00
Jamesson, Brackett & Mrs. Whittemore, damage on highway,	34.00
Bounty on foxes and hawks,	20.40
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	\$130.69

Services of Town Officers.

Paid Sumner Knight, S. S. Committee,	\$37.00
Silas Dinsmore, Town Clerk,	24.94
“ “	49.30
James H. Scott, } Selectmen,	54.75
William S. Tuttle, }	44.25
E. Stevens, Treasurer, and expenses,	30.00
Horace Proctor, collecting taxes, 1878,	68.30
James H. Scott, “ “ 1875 and 1876,	8.17
William S. Tuttle, Constable, and expenses,	12.40
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	\$329.11

Abatement of Taxes.

On tax list, 1878,	\$16.17
“ “ 1873 and 1874,	48.15
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	\$64.32

Released the bondsmen (as by vote of the town) of E. S. Messenger, Collector of taxes for the years 1875 and 1876,	\$631.26
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Recapitulation.

Selectmen,		Dr.
To funds received from all sources,		\$5,481.55
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By amount paid on notes,	\$1,662.40	
“ “ State tax,	576.00	
“ “ County tax,	463.47	
“ “ Support of paupers,	587.18	
“ “ “ Schools,	563.53	
“ “ Repairing highways and bridges,	310.99	
“ “ Breaking roads,	240.82	
“ “ Miscellaneous expenditures,	130.69	
“ “ Town officers,	329.11	
“ “ Abate'nt on tax list, 1878,	16.17	
“ Due from H. Proctor, taxes '78,	533.64	
“ “ E. Stevens, cash in Treasury,	67.55	
	<hr/>	\$5,481.55

Amount on Town Notes Outstanding.

E. Stevens,	note, dated March 1, 1876,	\$5,788.12
Chastina Shedd,	" " " 10, 1876,	1,153.47
S. Knight,	" " Dec. 27, 1873,	268.84
E. Stevens,	" " March 1, 1877,	330.75
S. Knight,	" " July 2, 1877,	326.48
Frank T. Lewis,	" " " 2, "	227.78
Mary A. Proctor,	" " " 2, "	32.53
Hosea Proctor,	" " " 2, "	162.72
J. M. Rice,	" " " 2, "	206.61
E. Stevens,	" " March 1, 1878,	915.72
Nettie Blanchard,	" " July 22, "	25.73
Frank Dodge,	" " Sept. 14, "	51.16
Josie E. Scott,	" " Nov. 27, "	20.26
Con. Society,	" " June 3, "	207.46

Total amount due on town notes, \$9,717.65

Due the several School Districts for schooling,	\$96.26
" " " " repairs,	9.34

\$105.60

Total amount due on town notes, 9,717.65

Total liabilities of the town, March 1, 1879, \$9,823.25

Assets.

Due from E. Stevens, G. Stacy and George McCline,	
note, dated March 27, 1878,	\$665.97
" Israel Towne, Collector for 1873 and 1874,	54.69
" F. A. Mellen, " 1868 and 1869,	93.67
" Jonas Taylor, " 1877,	31.36
" Collector's books, 1875 and '76, in hands of	
Selectmen,	477.36
" H. Proctor, Collector, 1878,	533.64
" E. Stevens, as Treasurer, 1878,	67.55

\$1,924.24

Total amount of liabilities,	\$9,823.25
“ “ assets,	1,924.24
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Total amount of indebtedness,	\$7,899.01
Net indebtedness, March 1, 1878,	\$8,102.28
“ “ “ 1, 1879,	7,899.01
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Reduction of town debt,	\$203.27

Respectfully submitted,

SILAS DINSMORE, } *Selectmen*
 JAMES H. SCOTT, } *of*
 WM. S. TUTTLE, } *Stoddard.*

Treasurer's Report.

Pursuant to the requirements of the law, I respectfully submit the following report of the financial transactions of the town of Stoddard, for the year ending March 1st, 1879.

Receipts.

Received of Hosea Proctor, taxes for 1878,	\$3,282.59
“ Jonas Taylor, “ 1877,	50.00
“ James H. Scott, “ 1875-6,	283.44
“ J. M. Rice for support of County paupers,	487.27
“ State Treasurer, Savings Bank tax,	470.68
“ “ “ Literary fund,	54.39
“ On town notes,	295.00
“ Selectmen for grass in cemetery,	2.00
“ “ use of Town Hall, &c.,	6.37
	\$4,931.74

Disbursements. By order of Selectmen.

Paid Principal and interest on town notes,	\$1,662.40
Support of schools,	548.53
Support of the poor,	587.18
State tax,	576.00
County tax,	463.47
Breaking roads,	240.82
Repairing highways and bridges,	310.99
Damages in consequence of defect in highway,	69.00
Services of town officers,	314.11
Bounties on foxes and hawks,	20.40
Ordinary town charges and miscellaneous items,	56.29
Repairing school-houses,	15.00
	\$4,864.19
Total amount of receipts for the year ending March 1st, 1879,	\$4,931.74
Total amount of disbursements for the year ending March 1st, 1879,	4,864.19
Amount in hands of Treasurer, March 1st, 1879,	67.55
	\$4,931.74

EPHRAIM STEVENS, *Treasurer.*

Report of Overseer of the Poor.

Paid for support of Poor, for the year ending March 1st, 1879.

Aid for Peggy Dow,	County charge,	\$52.56
“ Abbie J. Smith and 1 child,	“	20.57
“ Mrs. Geo. Gould and child,	“	9.75
“ Norman A. Howe,	“	70.07
“ Frank L. Thurston,	“	46.00
“ Emeline Wood,	“	48.60
“ Betsey Temple,	“	54.82
“ Ann E. Hart and 3 children,	“	21.41
“ Eugene DeRochu & 9	“	15.00
“ Mary A. Hart,	“	24.00
“ Lucinda Wilds,	“	49.65
“ Amanda M. Wells & 1 child,	“	14.00
“ John Barron and wife,	“	15.00
“ Tramps,	“	53.75
“ Laura Bowen and 2 children,	Town charge,	15.00
“ Geo. N. Bishop, wife & 2 childr’n,	“	46.50
Affidavits of tramps,	“	5.50
Overseer’s services and incidental expenses,		25.00
Whole amount paid out,		\$587.18
Have received of County,	\$252.06	
Now due of County,	204.54	
Cost to County,		456.60
Cost to town,		\$130.58

Have received of Town Treasurer, \$587.18.

JOSIAH M. RICE, *Overseer of Poor.*

School Report, 1879.

To the citizens of Stoddard. Friends and fellow citizens :

Another year has rolled around and the school year has been enjoyed and is now closed, and your Committee feels that he can congratulate you that no disturbances have occurred during the year requiring the cognizance of the Committee, but a good degree of peace and co-operation has been enjoyed, and a general prosperity has attended our schools during the year. There has been no failure in any one term, and some of the schools have shown a marked activity on the part of the teacher, and extra advancement of the pupils.

In District No. 1, there have been two terms during the year. A summer term of 8 weeks, commencing May 6. Average attendance, $31\frac{1}{4}$. Another of $9\frac{1}{2}$ weeks, beginning Nov. 4; average, $41\frac{1}{4}$; taught by Miss C. S. NIMS. This school is too large at present for one teacher, but has sustained its former good reputation, teacher and scholars working in harmony. Much labor was performed by the teacher (as in former terms), and good advancement was secured. Miss Nims has taught two full years in this school, which fact speaks well for the teacher and the district.

There have been two terms of school in District No. 2, the past year, taught by Miss ZILLA J. POWERS. Good advancement was secured. The first term of 7 weeks commenced May 13th. Average attendance, 15. The second term began August 20, and continued 10 weeks with an average attendance of 13. Seventeen weeks of school in the year.

In District No. 3 there have been two terms of school taught by Miss ELLA S. BINGHAM; the first term beginning May 13 and keeping 6 weeks, with an average of 5 scholars. The second term commencing September 2—ten weeks in length, averaging 5 scholars. Sixteen weeks in the year.

In District No. 5 there have been two terms of school the past year, one commencing May 13 and keeping 8 weeks, taught by Miss C. R. HEATH, with an average of 18 9-38. Miss Heath is a teacher of great energy and secured eminent success. The second term began September 23, and continued 6 weeks with an average of 17 9-11, taught by Miss CARRIE A. PARKER. Fourteen weeks during the year.

In District No. 6 there have been two terms during the year, which were very successful. The first taught by Miss LUCY A. Dow, beginning April 22 and continuing 9 weeks. Average, 12 35-88. The second term began September 16 and continued 10 weeks, kept by Mrs. H. M. ATWOOD. Average attendance, 12 26-49.

In District No. 8 there have been two successful terms of school taught by Miss JOSIE E. SCOTT; the first commencing May 13 and continuing 5 weeks. Average attendance, 14 13-56. The second term began September 23 and kept 7 weeks. Average, 15 1-70. Twelve weeks of school in the year.

In District No. 9 there have been two terms of school, the first beginning May 13 and continuing 8 weeks, with an average of 6. The second term commenced September 16, and continued 6 weeks. Average attendance, 6. Both terms were successfully taught by Miss MARY E. DAVIS. Fourteen weeks in the year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. COLBURN, *S. S. Committee of Stoddard.*

